

Mass Intentions and Parish Events**SATURDAY, February 27th**

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions (Church)

5:00 PM Mass (Church) Frank Volney+**7:00 PM Mass (Church) Aunt Betty Rochford+****SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - February 28th****8:00 AM Mass (Church) People of St. Paul's**

9:15 AM RCIA (FLC2)

9:30 AM Faith Formation (School)

10:30 AM Chaplet of Divine Mercy (St. Joseph Chapel)

11:00 AM Mass (Church) Peter & Susan Cimini+

2:00 PM Monthly Movie (St. Joseph Chapel)

5:00 PM Confirmation & SPY (FLC)

5:00 PM Ultreya (Church)

MONDAY, March 1st**8:00 AM Mass (Church) Relatives & Friends***Hirschkind Family Both Living & Deceased*

9:00 AM Cursillo Friendship Group (Chapel)

3:00 PM Basketball Practice (FLC)

6:30 PM CDA (FLC2)

6:30 PM School Finance Meeting (Library)

7:00 PM Prayer Group (St. Joseph Chapel)

TUESDAY, March 2nd**8:00 AM Mass (Church) Grace & Peter Engeman+**

9:00 AM Shawl Ministry (Atrium)

9:00 AM Fr. Paul's Bible Study (FLC2)

10:30 AM Staff Meeting (Conference Rm)

1:00 PM Healing Journey Series (FLC2)

3:00 PM Basketball Practice (FLC)

5:00 PM Peace & Justice Meeting (Conference Rm)

6:30 PM Adult Spirituality (Chapel)

7:00 PM Parish Women's Basketball (FLC)

WEDNESDAY, March 3rd**8:30 AM Mass (Church) Elizabeth M. Krochta+**

10:00 AM Keenagers (Conference Rm)

10:00 AM Grieving Group (St. Joseph Chapel)

12:00 PM Mass (Church) Pearl Karawsky+

& Soup (FLC) to follow

3:00 PM Basketball Practice (FLC)

6:30 PM St. Paul School HSA Meeting (Library)

THURSDAY, March 4th**8:00 AM Mass (Church) Ann Bruhn+**

2:00 PM Ephesians Bible Study (FLC2)

3:00 PM Basketball Practice (FLC)

3:00 PM Strings (FLC2)

7:00 PM Parish Men's Basketball (FLC)

7:00 PM Pastor's Bible Study (Library)

7:30 PM Contemporary Choir Practice (Church)

FRIDAY, March 5th**8:00 AM Mass (OSP) John Simon Walker+**

8:30 AM Adoration (OSP)

12:00 PM Benediction (OSP)

7:00 PM Mass (Church) Lenora Poynter+

7:30 PM Stations of the Cross (Church)

SATURDAY, March 6th

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions (Church)

5:00 PM Mass (Church) Bridie Casey+

6:30 PM Senior Pharmacy Dinner/Dance (FLC)

7:00 PM Mass (Church)

Announcements are due on Fridays by 4:00 PM for the following weeks bulletin to stpaulsecretary@suddenlinkmail.com

Ministers of the Liturgy**Saturday, March 6th****5:00 PM Mass****Reader:**

Helene Conklin & Warren Murray

Eucharistic Ministers:

Cynthia White, Jan Conaty, Jack & JoAn Betler and Marilu Morse

Servers:

Parker Conway, Jacob Fisher, Hailey & Madison Ford and Ryan Miller

Family Chalice:

Leo & Dorothy Minervini

7:00 PM Mass (Hispanic)**Sunday, March 7th****8:00 AM Mass****Reader:**

Beverly Hartung & Chick Natella

Eucharistic Ministers:

Mary Spano, Walter Bock, Anne Baker, Barbara Vezina and Nellie Messina

Servers:

Katherine, Patrick and Peter Driscoll, Emily & Joy Hagstrom and Patrick Murphy

Family Chalice:

Gerald & Carole Werries

11:00 AM Mass**Reader:**

Ceil Wasserman & Michael Arkin

Eucharistic Ministers:

Suzanne & Bert Linkonis, Sharon Warren, Mary Ann Clay and Janice Whitley

Servers:

Harrison & Sam Cho, Alexandra Fravor, Danielle Hunter and Chelsea Lashgari

Family Chalice:

Catherine Lawrence

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

February 28 through March 7, 2010

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12,17-18 Ps 27:1,7-9,13-14

Phil 3:17-4:1 Lk 9:28b-36

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10 Ps 79:8-9,11,13 Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10,16-20 Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-6,14-16 Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-4,6 Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a Ps 105:16-21

Mt 21:33-43,45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15,18-20 Ps 103:1-4,9-12

Lk 15:1-3,11-32

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a,13-15 Ps 1-4,6-8,11

1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12 Lk 13:1-9

**The Pastor
Jots it Down**



Thank you to the Catholic Daughters (CDA) for the beautiful reception last Sunday afternoon after the Rite of Election. We were pleased to welcome our Dean, Father Ernest, who presided at the Rite and members from the seven parishes of our Deanery.

Congratulations to the newly Elect of our parish and thanks to the RCIA team who is working so diligently with them.

Another big and important event of last weekend was the Annual Confirmation Retreat for our 2010 Candidates for the Sacrament. The retreat was held at Trinity Center in Pine Knoll Shores and was a rewarding experience for all. Special thanks to Catechist Laura McDaniel, Youth Director Karin Coll and all the volunteer staff.

We have finally worked out the schedule for the Easter Masses. The Easter Vigil will be celebrated at 8:00 PM Holy Saturday evening. This will be a bi-lingual liturgy. Easter Sunday Mass will be a 6:30 AM (A Sunrise Mass), 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

Love and blessings to all
Monsignor Lewis, Administrator

Adult Confirmation

The Diocesan Celebration of Adult Confirmation will be held on Sunday, April 25, 2010 at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Raleigh at 6:30 PM. The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge will confer the Sacrament on those adults who have received the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist and are seeking to complete their Initiation through the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation. For more information, please contact the church office at 638-1984.

**2010 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL
SAINT PAUL PARISH**

We are deeply grateful to those who have pledged to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. With the response last week, 26% of our families have pledged and 63% of our goal has been reached. Thank you for your generosity!

2010 TOTALS AS OF FEBRUARY 21, 2010:

Amount Pledged:	\$93,722.50
Amount Paid:	\$58,173.25
# Parishioners Pledged:	504

LENTEN SERVICES

Wednesdays During Lent - 12:00 PM Mass in the Church followed by Soup in the Family Life Center
Fridays During Lent - February 19 to March 26
 Mass at 8:00 AM followed by Adoration at Old St. Paul's
 12:00 PM Benediction at Old St. Paul's
 Mass 7:00 PM followed by Stations of the Cross

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Monday, March 8th at 11:00 AM
 (for Seniors)
 Monday, March 15th at 7:00 PM
Other Parishes
 Thursday, March 11th at 7:00 PM, Annunciation Church
 Havelock
 Tuesday, March 16th at 7:00 PM, St. Egbert Church
 Morehead
 Tuesday, March 23th at 7:00 PM, Infant of Prague
 Jacksonville

LENTEN BIBLE STUDIES

Tuesdays During Lent
 9:00 AM in Family Life Center 2
 "The Passion Narratives or The Psalms"
 Presented by Fr. Paul

Thursdays During Lent
 2:00 PM in Family Life Center 2
 "Ephesians"
 Presented by Deacon Mahoney
and
 7:00 PM in the School Library
 "The Sunday Readings"
 Presented by Monsignor Lewis

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Attention: All Altar Servers. A training session has been scheduled for Saturday, March 13th at 10:00 AM. You are asked to make every effort to attend this important session.

Please RSVP to the church office as soon as possible for the Bishop Burbidge's Altar Server Appreciation Day on March 7th.

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED
FOR THE FAMILIES OF OUR RECENTLY
DECEASED**

*James Mennitt
and
Robert Blackwell*

SAINT PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Notes from Mrs. Mahoney

All of our classes have chosen a Lenten Theme that they are studying, praying and trying to change the way they make choices in their daily lives. For example: Fast from gossip, Feast on saying kind words to one another. I ask you to remember our children in your daily prayers. Please pray that this Lent will be a time of spiritual growth for our children. We will also keep you in our daily prayers.

Recently, we have received donations from several families who have remembered St. Paul School at the death of a loved one. In lieu of flowers, they have asked that donations be given in memory. When this is done, we send a thank you to the person who donates and another note to the family of the deceased parishioner. This money is being used for children who might not be able to afford to attend our school if they did not receive a partial scholarship. Many families have had financial troubles because of layoffs or loss of job. We have not asked any child to leave our school because of the family's economic problems. However, we rely on the generosity of our parishioners, our alumni and community members to help us keep our school financially solvent. Thank you for your prayers and your support.

Music Time With Miss Megan

Come and join parishioner, Megan Johnson for Music Time with Miss Megan. This program is designed for children ages 18 months to 3 years and their parents. The class will be held on Tuesdays from 9:15 to 10:00 AM in the St. Paul School Library. For more information and registration, you may reach Megan at 637-2881.



ADULT CHOIR

The Adult Choir will begin rehearsals for Holy Week (Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday). We would appreciate extra voices - no audition required, just a love to sing! See Betty Tracy after the 11:00 AM Mass or call 637-3431. Thank you!

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

February 28 - Regular Session

March 7 - Regular Session

March 14 - Regular Session

March 21 - Regular Session

March 28 - Regular Session & Prayer Service

SAFE CHILD PROTECTION CLASS

A Safe Child Protection Class is scheduled for Monday, March 15th, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the FLC2. ***IF you are working with children or youth in ANY capacity here at St. Paul or in the name of St. Paul parish/school, you MUST by state law & diocesan requirement take this course and complete a Volunteer Information Form.*** Due to the nature of this class, only those over the age of 18 should be in attendance. NO children, please. Any questions, please call Dena Sierocki at 638-9327.

Healing Journey Lenten Series

During the first four Tuesdays of March (2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd), Deacon Mahoney will lead a series entitled "The Healing Journey." The series will help parishioners who attend understand how to move toward personal and relational wholeness in life. It will approach the journey through the five key aspects of our person, i.e., the spiritual, mental, emotional, physical, and relational. Because of the nature of the sessions, interested parishioners are asked to attend all four sessions. The sessions will be held between 1:00 and 2:30 pm in Room 2 at the Family Life Center. If you have any questions, please call Deacon Mahoney at 571-1597.

A Special Evening for Parents with Children with Special Needs

Join us for a special evening of prayer and conversation for parents of children with special needs. Presenter for the evening will be Sister Kathleen Schipani, IHM, M.Ed., a specialist in ministry to persons with special needs. Special guests: the M'n'M Singers from The ARC of Wake County. Hospitality: 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. followed by prayer and presentation. In order to facilitate set-up and refreshments, parents planning to attend are requested to contact in advance Mary Stone at fdof@fice@saintandrew.org or (919-362-0414x22).

MOVIE OF THE MONTH

Inspiring and informative, "What Every Catholic Needs to Know About Hell", features exclusive interviews with prominent Catholic clergy, apologists, theologians, and authors, including Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. William Casey, CPM, Fr. Shannon Collins, CPM, Tim Staples, Steve Ray, Kimberly Hahn and more. As these respected experts reveal crucial insights into this important topic, you'll discover the abundant historical and biblical evidence and theological principles that are fundamental to a truly Catholic understanding of Christ's teaching on the dark side of eternity. Come join us on Sunday, February 28, at 2:00 PM in the St. Joseph Chapel.

Mardi Gras Dinner Dance

We would like to thank everyone that volunteered for, donated to or attended this event, especially Msgr. Lewis. There were two omissions in the program. Aggie Derda was not listed for providing the "King Cake." John Scharf and Budd Rancatore were omitted for designing and running the raffle board. We had a tremendous attendance despite the event having had to be postponed from 2-13-10 to 2-14-10 due to snow and unsafe conditions to travel for the band and others. We hope it was an enjoyable evening for everyone.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

SENIOR PHARMACY DINNER & DANCE

Wet your appetites and put on your dancing shoes! The annual "All That Glitters" fundraising event benefiting the Senior Pharmacy Program will be held in the Family Life Center March 6, from 6:30 until 10:30 PM. Cost is \$30 per person. Food will be catered by The Chelsea Restaurant and music by Bruce Horton. Tickets will be sold after mass at St. Paul the weekend of Feb. 20-21, or purchase tickets at Catholic Charities, 502 Middle St. Reserved tables are available for 6, 8 or 12 persons. Call 638-2188 if more information needed.

Stewardship is a way of life that we choose to live, using the gifts entrusted to us by God, based on the teachings of Jesus Christ.

**Combined Offertory & Building Income
July 1, 2009 to Friday, February 21, 2010**

Total budgeted amount:	\$1,255,013.00
Average weekly total needed to meet budget (includes Holy Days):	\$ 24,134.87
Actual average weekly total to date (includes Holy Days):	\$ 22,757.99
Weekly average deficit :	\$ 1,376.88
Monthly Mortgage Interest	\$ 18,477.18
Mortgage Principal	\$ 16,650.38
Total Payment	\$ 35,127.56
Total Mortgage debt:	\$3,394,521.40

Sunday Offertory, February 21, 2010: **\$17,164.36**
 Debt Reduction, February 21, 2010: **\$2,487.99**
 Church in Eastern Europe Collection: **\$3,139.00**
 Thank you.

DEBT REDUCTION COLLECTION

A second collection will be taken next weekend for the Debt Reduction Fund. Your generosity in helping to pay off our \$3 million plus debt is greatly appreciated.

2009 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

2009 contribution statements are available for pickup in the church office during regular business hours, Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM. The office is closed for lunch between 1:00 and 2:00 PM.

Parish Council Members

Mary Spano, Chairperson	633-4768	Thomas Hartman	636-0101
Marcie McLure, Secretary	633-2539	Pat Johnson	638-8930
Claude Cote	514-0032	Chick Natella	633-4370
Jim Dunham	638-9034	Dena Sierocki	638-9327
Joan Fisher	288-5440	Gerald Stallings	633-1096
Hannah French	638-2195	Richard Tomasik	633-9014
Mary Ann Harper	633-3473	Elena Turner	637-2852

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS SCHOLARSHIPS

2010 NATIONAL JCDA SCHOLARSHIP

The applicant must have been a member of the JCDA for at least two years immediately preceding an application for the award. An essay of approximately 500 words typed and doubled-spaced entitled "**How Will My Catholic Faith Along With My Years of Being a Member of JCDA Enhance My Future**" must be submitted by May 1st. Three letters of Recommendation from the Pastor or Religious, a school or religious teacher and a third letter from a non-relative who can attest to the candidate's character must accompany the essay. The National Court will award a \$1,000 scholarship to a JCDA member entering College in the fall of 2010.

2010 NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR 8TH GRADE ENTERING 9TH GRADE

You must be a Catholic male or female; attend a Public or Private (not home setting) high school in the Fall; submit an essay of approximately 250-300 words typed and doubled-spaced entitled "**What Characteristics of My Catholic Faith Do I use to Help Me Be a Role Model for Others**"; and three letters of Recommendation from the Pastor or Religious, a school or religious teacher and a third letter from a non-relative who can attest to the candidate's character must accompany the essay. The National Court will award a \$500 scholarship to an 8th grade student entering the 9th grade in the Fall of 2010 to a Catholic High School.

Both entries above must be submitted with a formal Application and Cover Sheet, which can be obtained in the School office and submitted by May 1st to: Theresa Kocer, National Youth/JCDA Chairman, 5301 W. 56th Street, #20, Sioux Falls, SD 57106

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Paul's prayer to Philemon (Philemon 1:6) is that his "partnership in sharing his love and faith *may become effective in recognizing every good there is in us that leads to Christ.*" Let us be encouraged while here and lift our hearts knowing we aren't the only ones who may struggle. Isn't the challenge of witnessing to others worth it once we've read this promise? Could we have better reasons to share the love and mercy of Jesus? Join us in the **Chapel on Sunday at 10:30 for the Chaplet of Divine Mercy**, praying that all will come to the full understanding of the urgency to witness to Christ Jesus.

Please pray for the members of our parish who are hospitalized and for those who are homebound. We also ask for prayers for our relatives, friends and neighbors serving in the Military. May God bless them all.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

Jesus' transfiguration was a moment of hope for the disciples, giving them the strength to endure the future sacrifices they would make as they formed the early Church. As we continue our journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, let us be mindful that our Lenten Sacrifices help to give hope to our brothers and sisters in need.



REDUCING HUNGER

Times are difficult for everyone in our current economy and even more so for those who are already poor. We can all help little by little if we would each bring just one healthy non-perishable food items **next weekend**, March 6th & 7th to all Masses for distribution for our brothers and sisters most in need. Non-perishable food items may be left at all of the church exits. Baskets have been placed at the exits for monetary donations. Thank you for your kindness and generosity to those most in need.

HELP REDUCE THE CHURCH & SCHOOL DEBT

Are you thinking of selling or trading in your old vehicle? Why not avoid the hassle and donate it instead to St. Paul Church? We will do all the paperwork for you and provide you a charitable receipt for your taxes. Donate autos, trucks, motorcycles, vans, commercial vehicles, jet skis, snowmobiles, motor homes, buses and yes, even boats. It does not have to run, only a clear title required to donate. We take care of everything else. Please call Jerry Tetreault at St. Paul Church (252-638-1984) or e-mail churchauto@suddenlinkmail.com.

INTERFAITH REFUGEE MINISTRY "Share the Journey"

On Sunday, March 6, 2010 at 1:00 PM the Interfaith Refugee Ministry (IRM) is hosting an afternoon to "Share the Journey – Introducing Refugees and Their Stories" at Garber United Methodist Church. The program includes colorful and exciting entertainment by the refugees, educational demonstrations, personal conversations with the refugees, and tasty samples of ethnic foods. The music of the "Uniquely Modern and Always Classic" Trent River Chamber Players will add to the festivities. In addition, there will be light refreshments and a silent auction.

Come and support this important work. Advance ticket \$5 for adults/\$3 for students and at the door are \$7 for adults/\$4 for students. Contact Chick Natella for tickets and information at 252-633-6237.